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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE FUNDS AVAILABLE

Office Of Justice Programs Accepting Applications for Funding Crime Prevention Programs. More Information Can be Found at www.ojp.usdoj.gov

LAFAYETTE, LA.: The United States Attorney for the Western District of Louisiana and the U.S. Department of Justice Office of Justice Programs (OJP) announce open solicitations for applications for funding that support communities and law enforcement in preventing crime. Discretionary grants are awarded on a competitive basis to public and private agencies and private non-profit organizations. In addition, certain discretionary programs are awarded on a non-competitive basis, consistent with congressional earmarks.

The following programs are open for discretionary solicitations:

Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) - FY 09

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- Tribal Courts Assistance Program
- National Motor Vehicle Title Information System (NMVTIS) Participation Program
- Prescription Drug Monitoring Program

Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) - FY 09 Due March 12, 2009: Correctional Facilities on Tribal Lands Training and Technical Assistance **Program** Justice and Mental Health Collaboration Program Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP) - FY 09 **Due February 24, 2009:** Enforcing the Underage Drinking Laws Discretionary Program: Initiative to Reduce Underage Drinking Family Drug Court Training and Technical Assistance **Due February 25, 2009:** National Mentoring Programs for Combating Juvenile Delinquency, Reducing the Victimization of Children and Improving the Juvenile Justice System Due March 4, 2009: Gang Prevention Coordination Assistance Program Office for Victims of Crime (OVC) - FY 09 **Due February 24, 2009:** National Field-Generated Training, Technical Assistance and Demonstration **Projects** National Institute of Justice (NIJ)- FY 09 Due March 2, 2009: Technology Research and Development for Law Enforcement and Corrections Due March 9, 2009:

Transition from Prison to Community

Any interested applicant must submit its application through the <u>Grants.gov</u> website. Also, applicants can download guidelines and obtain contact information for the project manager of each specific solicitation from the <u>ojp.usdoj.gov</u> website through the browse open solicitations option. For general questions or information, please contact Amy Callaghan, Deputy Director of the Grants Management Division, Office of Audit, Assessment and Management at 202-514-9292 or amy.callaghan@usdoj.gov.

It is the mission of OJP to increase public safety and improve the fair administration of justice across America through innovative leadership and programs.

U.S. Attorney Washington stated: "The burden of fighting crime and rejuvenating America's communities falls heavily on local law enforcement and neighborhood organizations. These grants will provide states, units of local and tribal government and communities with additional resources to protect their citizens by implementing crime prevention programs."

The Office of Justice Programs provides federal leadership in developing the nation's capacity to prevent and control crime, administer justice and assist victims. OJP has five component bureaus: the Bureau of Justice Assistance; the Bureau of Justice Statistics; the National Institute of Justice; the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention; and the Office for Victims of Crime. Additionally, OJP has two program offices: the Community Capacity Development Office, which incorporates the department's Weed and Seed strategy, and the Sex Offender Sentencing, Monitoring, Apprehending, Registering, and Tracking Office (SMART). More information can be found at http://www.ojp.gov.